

Table 4-3
World Bank (IDA and IBRD) lending commitments in sub-Saharan Africa,
by theme and sector, average FY 1998-99 and FY 2000-03
(Million dollars)

Theme:	1998-99 (Average)	2000	2001	2002	2003
Human Development	267.7	208.5	399.4	739.0	811.4
Social Protection and Management	117.2	140.5	376.4	98.3	543.7
Public Sector Governance	291.7	495.3	429.6	851.9	432.4
Urban Development	253.8	154.9	206.1	279.6	425.5
Social Development, Gender, and Inclusion	167.6	210.5	491.8	347.4	420.0
Rural Development	393.6	151.8	296.3	329.2	384.1
Financial and Private Sector Development	509.0	466.7	625.8	780.7	383.6
Environmental and Natural Resource Management	156.0	172.4	110.0	159.9	227.0
Economic Management	165.0	78.2	138.5	138.7	37.8
Trade and Integration	120.5	53.7	261.5	46.4	37.2
Rule of Law	21.0	26.7	34.0	22.5	34.5
Total	2,463.2	2,159.1	3,369.6	3,793.5	3,737.2
Sector:					
Health and Other Social Services	273.6	183.1	889.9	616.6	775.9
Law and Justice and Public Administration	610.9	834.9	880.8	906.9	721.8
Transportation	533.5	263.9	229.8	491.1	690.5
Education	304.4	189.8	209.5	472.6	423.6
Energy and Mining	244.0	176.3	198.0	490.3	324.4
Agriculture, Fishing, and Forestry	170.0	111.5	212.0	210.4	303.4
Water, Sanitation, and Flood Protection	142.0	155.9	357.8	112.2	296.3
Industry and Trade	94.3	104.7	170.6	266.7	92.7
Finance	53.7	121.7	200.1	192.8	67.2
Information and Communication	36.7	17.3	21.1	33.8	41.4
Total	2,463.2	2,159.1	3,369.6	3,793.5	3,737.2

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: World Bank, *The World Bank Annual Report, 2003*, Vol. 1, table 5.1.

Mozambique, Tanzania, and Uganda have met the requirements and received most of their assistance under the HIPC Initiative. As of April 30, 2003, the Bank had committed \$1.9 billion (SDR 1.4 billion) to 22 SSA countries.⁸ In FY 2003, however, the global economic slowdown and a significant decline in many primary commodity prices weakened economic growth contributing to the deterioration of many countries' external debt indicators.⁹ Furthermore, the United Nations reports that the HIPC Initiative is a costly process.¹⁰

⁸ IMF, *Annual Report 2003*, found at Internet address <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/ar/2003/eng/pdf/filed.pdf>, retrieved Aug. 9, 2004.

⁹ World Bank, "The Enhanced HIPC Initiative and the Achievement of Long-Term External Debt Sustainability," found at Internet address <http://www.worldbank.org/hipc/hipc-review/Long-Term.pdf>, retrieved Aug. 9, 2004.

¹⁰ United Nations, "Debt relief needs a bolder approach," found at Internet address http://www.un.org/ecosocdev/geninfo/afrec/vol14no4/html/debt_boxes.html, retrieved July 10, 2003.